

Due to a typographical error, the claims as originally filed and those as published in the corresponding PCT application contained no claim numbered 15. By this amendment, Applicants are amending the numbering of the claims to correct that error.

If, at any time, the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding the structure or content of the attached application, the Examiner is encouraged to call Applicants' representative at the number provided below. It is submitted that such informal communication will expedite examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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### Marked-up Claims 16-18

15. [16] A nucleic acid sequence encoding the chicken GHRH receptor, said sequence comprising the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3.

16. [17] A transgenic avian species comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the protein of claim 3.

17. [18] A transgenic avian species comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the protein of claim 7.